

CHARGES AGAINST AMERICAN CONSUL

Embezzlement, Bribery and Corruption of Chinese Officials
Among Accusations.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Washington, March 22.—Embezzlement, bribery and corruption of Chinese officials are some of the charges laid against James C. McNally, a Pittsburgh man, who is American consul at Tientsin, China. As a result of the charges, the proposed transfer of McNally from his present post to Neurenburg, Bavaria, is being held up.

The charges were first made four years ago, but were only recently brought to the attention of the United States Senate. An investigation is being held by a subcommittee composed of Senators Oliver, Fletcher and Tamm.

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FANNY CROSBY HONORED

Special Services Are Held in Many Cities.

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Bridgeport, Conn., March 22.—Special services were held today in the Protestant churches of this and other cities in honor of the ninety-fourth birthday of Fanny Crosby, the blind hymn writer, which falls on Tuesday.

In response to the request sent out by Fanny Crosby Circle, King's Daughters, the day was generally observed as "Violent Sunday," the violet being Miss Crosby's favorite flower.

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THIRTY-THREE-YEAR-OLD GIRL STOWAWAY ON LINER

Hides on Board Pacific Steamer That She May Be Near Her Father.

Seattle, Wash., March 22.—When the liner Congress, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, docked here from California, points she brought to Puget Sound the youngest stowaway in the history of the sea—little Miss Juliet Benjamin, four and a half years old—who smuggled herself on board the huge vessel at San Francisco and revealed herself to the crew only after it was too late to return her to her father.

With an agility and strategy far beyond her years, the child ran away from her mother at the San Francisco pier just as the Congress was about to leave for Seattle, hid herself in a clothes closet until the Golden Gate had been passed, and permitted discovery only when it was impossible for the big steamship to retruce her route. Excitement reigned when the wee miss demurely stepped out of the closet and announced that she had run away from her mother. The awe-stricken members of the crew took the stowaway before the captain, and their Juliet explained the reason for her extraordinary exploit.

"I wanted to be with daddy," she said. Investigation showed that her father was a junior engineer on the Congress, and he took care of the venturesome little one. The wireless was sent forth with notifying the worried mother that the babe had been found, and Juliet was given the right of way in every part of the vessel.

TWO WOMEN ARRESTED.

Suspected of Being Implicated in Murder of Sidney Chapman.

Calhoun, Ga., March 22.—Miss Elizabeth Starnes and Mrs. Charles Chapman were placed in jail here today on suspicion of being implicated in the shooting and killing of Sidney Chapman at his home near here yesterday. Mrs. Starnes is a sister of the dead man. Mrs. Chapman is Mrs. Starnes's daughter. The coroner to-day returned a verdict that Chapman met his death at the hands of unknown persons. A shotgun was the weapon used. Both of the women deny any knowledge of the crime. No motive for the killing is known.

No Attempt to Reopen Bank.

New York, March 22.—S. H. P. Pell, one of the stockholders' protective committee of the defunct National Bank of North America, the Charles W. Morse institution which was wrecked during the panic of 1907, denied to-day that there would be an attempt made to reopen the bank.

VILLA CLEARS WAY FOR REBEL ATTACK ON TORREON CITY

(Continued From First Page.)

Cruz between John Lind and Senator Portillo y Rojas, Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Huerta Cabinet, have been received here the disposition of the American government is to make no change in its Mexican policy, or express itself on any of the new proposals reported to have been made, until after the battle of Torreon is fought. This being known to the authorities, though officials declined to say what new proposals had been made by the Mexican Cabinet officer.

Reports that a more friendly feeling prevails between the Washington government and representatives of Huerta seeking a peaceful settlement are borne out by dispatches received here by Charge Alagarsa of the Mexican embassy, who to-day said President Wilson's attitude in welcoming a resumption of peace negotiations had made a favorable impression in the Mexican capital. One of the purposes of the visit of Senator Portillo to Mr. Lind, it is said, was to acquaint the latter with his personality. President Wilson recently spoke in complimentary terms of the Mexican Cabinet officer. Charge Alagarsa has pointed out that while Senator Portillo is a member of the Clerical party, he is liberal in his views. Constitutionalists here have said, however, that he is not a member of the party of Senator Portillo y Rojas personally, his affiliations with the Clerical party would prevent his being accepted by General Carranza as a presidential successor to Huerta. Others here do not think much can be accomplished until the battle of Torreon is fought. The prestige and strength of one or the other of the two factions admittedly

will suffer as a result of the contest, and the final effect through Mexico, it is believed here, will be tremendous.

The presence in Vera Cruz of Charge O'Shaughnessy merely is a result of his ill health, according to State Department announcements. Secretary Bryan denied a published report that O'Shaughnessy wanted to resign. He said he had heard nothing of it, and did not believe it.

The secretary made no comment on Senator Portillo's suggestion that Mr. Lind take a trip through territory controlled by the Mexican Federals.

Neutral Zone at Torreon.

Mexico City, March 22.—It is conceded at the War Department that the rebels and Federals will engage in

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